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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:) GROUP ART UNIT: 1638
McBride et al)
SERIAL NUMBER: 08/984,099) EXAMINER: Amy Nelson
FILED: December 03, 1997) DATE: February 18, 2003
) CONFIRMATION NO.: 1773

TITLE: COTTON FIBER TRANSCRIPTIONAL FACTORS

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE

Box: Issue Fee
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner dated January 02, 2003, Applicants
herewith submit the following;

1. Corrected Drawings as indicated by the Examiner's notation 8.(c) of Paper No. 31
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney as required by the Examiner's notation 7 of Paper
No. 31
3. - Part B - Issue Fee Transmittal

The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any required fees relating to this paper,
including the Issue Fee, to Deposit Account No. 13-4125.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS UNDER 37 CFR § 1.85

Official Draftsperson
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

This letter is in response to a notice sent on January 2, 2003. Provided herewith are substitute drawings for Figures 1A through 13 (32 pages), as indicated by the Examiner's notation 8.(c) of Paper No. 31. The substitute drawings are in compliance with the requirements for formal drawings made in this case under 37 CFR § 1.84. No substantial modifications have been made to these substitute drawings.

A conditional petition for an Extension of Time is requested to provide for the timely filing if an extension of time is required after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered.

The Commissioner is GENERALLY authorized to charge any required fees relating to this paper to Deposit Account No. 13-4125.

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